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ATSUO TOKUNAGA : EXAMINER: PHAN, J.
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FOR: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR :
IMAGE FORMING WITH DUAL
OPTICAL SCANNING SYSTEMS

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AMENDMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Official Action mailed March 20, 2003, please amend this
application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 13, with the following rewritten
paragraph:¹

B,
According to one aspect of the present invention, a novel optical scanning apparatus
includes at least two light sources, at least two beam shaping mechanisms, a light deflector,
and at least two scanning beam focusing mechanisms. Each of the two light sources is
arranged and configured to emit a light beam. Each of the two beam shaping mechanisms is
arranged and configured to shape the light beam. The light deflector is arranged and

¹ A marked-up copy of the changes made in this amendment is attached.